Did You Know?

Did you know that an investigative finding can, and should be, considered on all children in the home even if they were not the identified child on a #115 report? For example, a physical abuse report is received on Johnny age 3. During the investigation, physical abuse is substantiated to him by his father, and due to the safety issues in home, a petition is filed and Johnny along with his two siblings are removed and placed with grandparents. A found and substantiated risk of harm finding would then be made on the siblings along with the substantiated physical abuse finding on Johnny. As a side note, when determining kinship care eligibility, each child must have a substantiated finding of abuse or neglect (or dependency if both parents are deceased).

For more information please refer to the following SOPs:

SOP 2.12 - Completing the Continuous Quality Assessment (COA) and Making a Finding

SOP4.52 - Eligibility Criteria for Kinship Care Benefits

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